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Milwaukee June 19th 1838

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Dear Sir

Last fall I sent to Prof. Dewey of Rochester a package of plants collected in this vicinity, for you, accompanied by one intended for Dr Darlington of West Chester Pa. with a request that you would forward the latter to the Dr. Mr Dewey informs me that they were received and forwarded to you. I hope your engagements are not so pressing but that you can examine the package and favor me with the result of such examination.

Perhaps I am taking too much liberty with you, for a perfect stranger, but I hope you will excuse me on the ground of a fondness for a pursuit in which you have so successfully been engaged.

Are we to have a new Am. Edition of Linney's Introduction to the Nat. System?

If the package above alluded to should come to hand I hope you will forward the one intended for Dr Darlington to him and oblige.

Yours

C. A. Lapanu.

Dr. Torrey

Given by A. M. VAIL
from the Dr. D. C. Collection

Given by A. M. VAIL

Re D. Aug. 29th
1839



Ans. Sept. 4th Milwaukee August 16th 1839

Dear sir

Some time since Dr Darlington wrote me that he had sent to you a package of plants for me and I have sent to N. York by merchants for it but as they cannot find your residence they are not able to procure it for me.

Will you be good enough to send me the package by the first opportunity. Captain A. M. Mitchell our Territorial Engineer — John H. Tweedy Canal Commissioner and John Hustis are now in N. York from this place and either of them would take charge of the package for me. You will probably find them by inquiring in Wall Street or at the Bank of America as they are on business connected with a Loan of Money for our Territory to build a canal, which is to be deposited in that Bank.

I have found several plants here not in my catalogue some of them probably undescribed — Among them *Arenaria patens* and a knidred (probably new) species. —

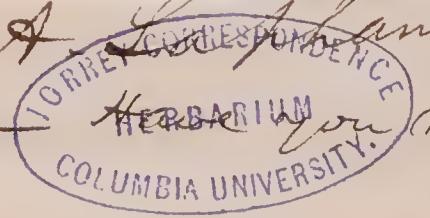
I have received only two numbers of the Flora when may I expect the rest?

If you have no opportunity of sending the package please inform me of your precise location in your enormous city!

Very respectfully yours

J. A. Gray Esq. *Herb. Columbia*

Is the Geological Survey progressing? — made
any Report?



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Dr John Torrey.
New York
N.Y.

Ans Oct 24



Milwaukee Sept 15th 1860

Dear Sir

Your highly esteemed favor of 26th ult making some observation on the plants I sent you by Mr. Livingston was received a few days since. Agreeably to your request I have made up another parcel containing ^{plants} such as you desired, together with some others which I wish you to examine for me. The packet I have sent to Rochester to the care of Rev. C. Dewey who will forward it to you. I hope you will soon receive it, & find its contents interesting.

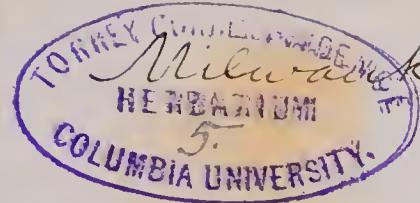
I have not received the 3^d & 4th parts of the "Flora" although I paid the Messrs. Carvills five dollars on account of my subscription, which will pay for the whole within one dollar which I now enclose to you. The work was to be sent me by mail, and I received the 2^d part in that way. Will you be so good as to see that the other numbers are sent, for I am very anxious to receive them as soon as they are published.

Mr. Livingston has promised to send me a copy of your Geological Report — Can you spare me a copy of that part of the Annals of the N.Y. Lyceum which contains your ~~longer~~ description of the grasses &c? It may be sent by mail.

Respectfully yours
J. A. Lapham



and



Dear Sir

Your kind favor of the 24th ult has been received. The plants intended for you were sent to Prof. Dewey by Mr. Hiram Leonard a friend of ours well acquainted with the Professor and who promised to deliver them safely. If you have not yet received them it would be well to write to Prof. D. and perhaps you may yet obtain them. Among them are some Compositaceæ and some plants collected in the northern part of Illinois about which I wish your opinion. When they are received please have the goodness to send me the result of your examinations. I have sent all the plants that I supposed would interest or be of any use to you, except a species of *Bidens* probably the *B. Beckii* which I have found in a swamp here since the parcel was forwarded.

I have the *Annals of the N. York Lyceum* up to No 7 of vol 3 — they do not contain your memoir on the Cyperaceæ; and as my friend who promised me a copy of

the Geological report has failed to send it I shall feel much indebted to you for a copy of each of these works. You must be sure however not to bring me so much in debt to you in this way that I shall never be able to repay your kindness.

I have received the 3rd & 4th parts of the Flora & hope to receive another volume soon.

Among the plants sent you is one called *Nasturtium hispidum* - Is this right

The *Lathyrus albidus* of Eaton's Manual 7th Ed. p. 362 appears to be the same as your *L. ochroleucus* Hook. Flora N. Am 1 p 275. - Which name has precedence?

Are not the *Crataegus flexuosa* and *Rosa Sayii* of Schub. (Long 2nd Ed. pp 387 & 388) entitled to places among the species?

Errata for the Flora.

Page 11 line 24 for p. 26. read p. 20.

" 428 " 3 fr. bot. for 22 read 12

Preface page xiii line 16 for Dr. Lapham read Mr. Lapham.

For I am simply your humble servt Mr

I. A. Lapham
SCHREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. J. Torrey.

and March 10th -



New York Jan'y 23rd 1841

Dear Sir

I send you by my friend Mr. Livingston two packages of plants one for Dr. Darlington & one for Mr. Curtis which I hope you will take the trouble to forward to those gentlemen. I would send a package for yourself, but I suppose I have sent you all that you wish for from here. The catalogue I sent you some weeks ago will enable you to decide this question. If there are any species in that Catalogue which are still undecided with you it will afford me pleasure to forward them.

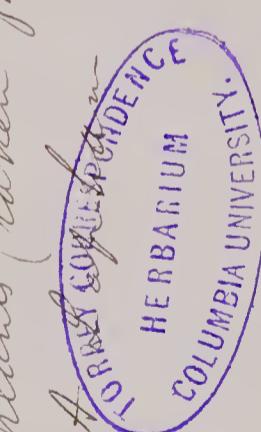
As you must have a great many duplicate specimens and as I have sent you some plants I hope you will not think I am asking too much to request you to send me such of the plants in the following list as you can conveniently spare; although I feel myself amply repaid by the trouble you have already taken in correcting my ^{errors.}

Conium maculatum
Discopleura capillacea
Hydrocotyle Americana
Attagene Americana
Ranunculus filiformis
 " *hirsutus*
Thelyctrum Corynatum
Magnolia glauca
Filia pubescens
Saxifraga Virginica
Cactus opuntia
Centaurella paniculata
Ammannia humilis
Hypoxis biflora
Potentilla tridentata
Rubus odoratus
Pyrus malus
 " *sanguinea*
Prunus depressa
Urtica procera
Celtis occidentalis
Corylus rostrata
Quercus coccinea
Betula lenta
Populus balsamifera
Salix falcata
 " *prinoides*
Comptonia asplenifolia
Myrica cerifera
Acer Pennsylvanicum
Vitis cordifolia
Geranium Robertianum
Oxalis violacea
Polygala paniculata
Hudsonia tomentosa
Serracenia purpurea
Ceratium oblongifolium
 " *viscosum*
Sagina procumbens
Amaranthus hybridus
Scleranthus annuus
Acrida canina
Atriplex arenaria
Salsola kali
Podostemum cerasophyllum
Callitricha linearis
Ilex Canadensis

Azalea nudiflora
Clethra alnifolia
Kalmia glauca
Rhodora Canadensis
Pyrola rotundifolia
Asperula autumnalis
Aster Novi Belgii
Chrysanthemum leucanthemum
Coumza camphorata
Engelmannia heterophylla
Graphidium margaritaceum
Grindelia Balsamum
Iva frutescens
Krigia Virginica
Mikania scandens
Prenanthes virginata
Fusilago palmata
Cornus alba
 Circinata
 sericea
Ligustrum vulgare
Hottonia inflata
Glaux maritima
Utricularia purpurea
Gerardia maritima
Limosella subulata
Rhinanthus crista-galli
Nicandra physaloides
Ballota nigra
Chenopodium vulgare
Galeopsis tetrahit
Stachys hyssopifolia
Trichostema dichotoma
Lithospermum arvense
Lycopsis arvensis
Myosotis Virginiana
Pinus balsamea
 Canadensis
 nigra
 regida
Sagittaria heterophylla
Arenaria bulbosa
Calopogon pulchellus
Habenaria blephariglottis
 " *ciliaris*
Listera cordata
Helonias divisa
Smilax rotundifolia
Streptopus distortus
Moullaria perfoliata
 " *obtusifolia*

Lecointia Virginica
Montia aquaticum
Urtica Canadensis
Ruppia maritima
Lotera marina
Aira flexuosa
Avena mollis
Arundo Canadensis
Briza media
Solium perenne
Poa Canadensis
Polygonum glomeratum
Psamma arenaria
Spartina glabra
Fimbristylis capillaris
Fimbristylis repens
Uniola spicata
Malepia aristulata
Carex aquatica
Cespatoria
flexuosa
Halseyanum
longirostis
Cyperus Nuttallii
 mariscoides
paeformis
uncinatus
Eriophorum angustifolium
 Virginicum
Rhyncospora alba
 macrostachya
Scirpus Capillaris
 planifolius
Schoenus mariscoides
Equisetum palustre
 scirpoides
Aspidium dilatatum
 Lancastrense
Asplenium melanocaulon
Botrychium fumaroides
Lycopodium palmatum
Ophioglossum vulgatum
Osmunda spectabilis
Polyodium contractile
Struthiopteris Pennsylvanica
Woodsia ilvensis
Woodwardia angustifolia
Lycopodium annotinum
 clavatum
dendroideum

List of plants (taken from Hitchcock Catalogue of Illinois herbarium plants)



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Have you received the plants I sent some time ago to Prof Dewey? - or have you heard whether he has received them? If they have come to hand please give me a list of the names of such as are numbered.

I am very anxious to receive the numbers constituting the 2^o vol of the Flora: - when may I expect them.

Respectfully,
J. A. Gray

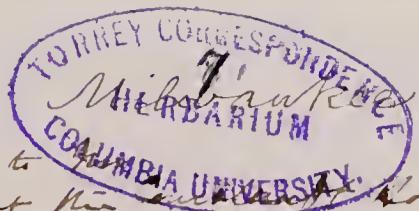


Dr John Torrey.

Dr John Torrey 25
New York

N. Y.

April 9th. 1841



April 9th. 1841

And May 8th - Sent parcel to
Lapham's friend at the ~~university~~ home -

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 11th ult has just come to hand and as you have been so unfortunate as not to receive the plants I sent you last autumn I have put up for you another parcel which I shall send by the first opportunity containing as many as I still have duplicates of, and hope they may reach you more speedily. Several of our merchants are to leave here in a few days for your city, and I will request one to take it directly to you, and receive in return whatever you may have put up for me.

It is my intention when I have ascertained the doubtful species, and have collected a great many more species from the prairies to prepare a complete catalogue arranged according to the Natural Method and to embrace the whole Territory from the southern extreme of Lake Michigan to Lake Superior. It would thus include many of the plants brought home by Maj Douglas, Dr Houghton and Mr Gay.

I am sorry to learn that so little confidence can be placed in the account given in Long's 2^o Expedition, as I had intended to embrace there in the list. — Can you by reference to your notes without ^{too} much trouble tell me which species in that account are erroneous; — or should I neglect the whole as uncertain? — I send you the Friticum paciflorum Schw. — Was it not a new species? —

I hope you will take the trouble as heretofore to send me the result of your examination of the plants I send. Many of them I am unable to determine with certainty with the few books I have access to here in the West. Eatons Manual 7th Edition is my principal authority, and its descriptions are not always sufficiently ^{minute} to enable me to determine our plants. —

You will find a beautiful narrow leaved gentian resembling in some respects the G. crinita, but which may rank as a distinct species. It is sometimes branched but usually consists of one straight erect stem crowned with one large flower as in the specimens sent you. The lower leaves are more round, but there like the round leaves of the hair bell (Campanula rotundifolia) are seldom to be found. One of the specimens sent you exhibits the rounded leaves

The specimens now sent are not so perfect as I could wish, for the best have been selected and sent to others - and I suppose I have sent you many species which will not interest you much.

If you will indicate any of which you or Dr Gray wish better or more specimens, it will afford me pleasure to furnish them during this season.

Yours truly
J. A. Lapham



Dr Torrey.

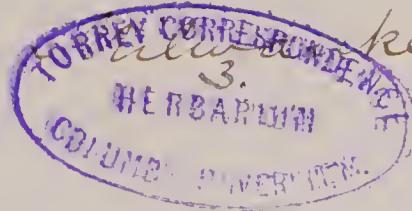


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Dr John Torrey
New York City
N.Y.

Rec'd Oct. 14th
Ans. Nov. 6th

Dear Sir



Rec'd Sept. 29th 1841

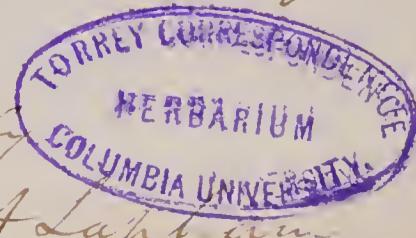
Several days ago I put up for you a parcel of plants embracing such as I supposed may interest you and such as I could not determine satisfactorily. They are mostly of this year's gathering. Since then I have received No 1 of vol 2 of the Flora which will enable me to decide upon some of these - but I hope you will have the goodness, as heretofore, to give me your opinion upon them. The new Gentian this year is mostly branched, in the same locality where they were last year mostly simple. I have sent you several specimens embracing all varieties, and have accompanied them with *G. crinita* that you may compare with specimens from the same locality.

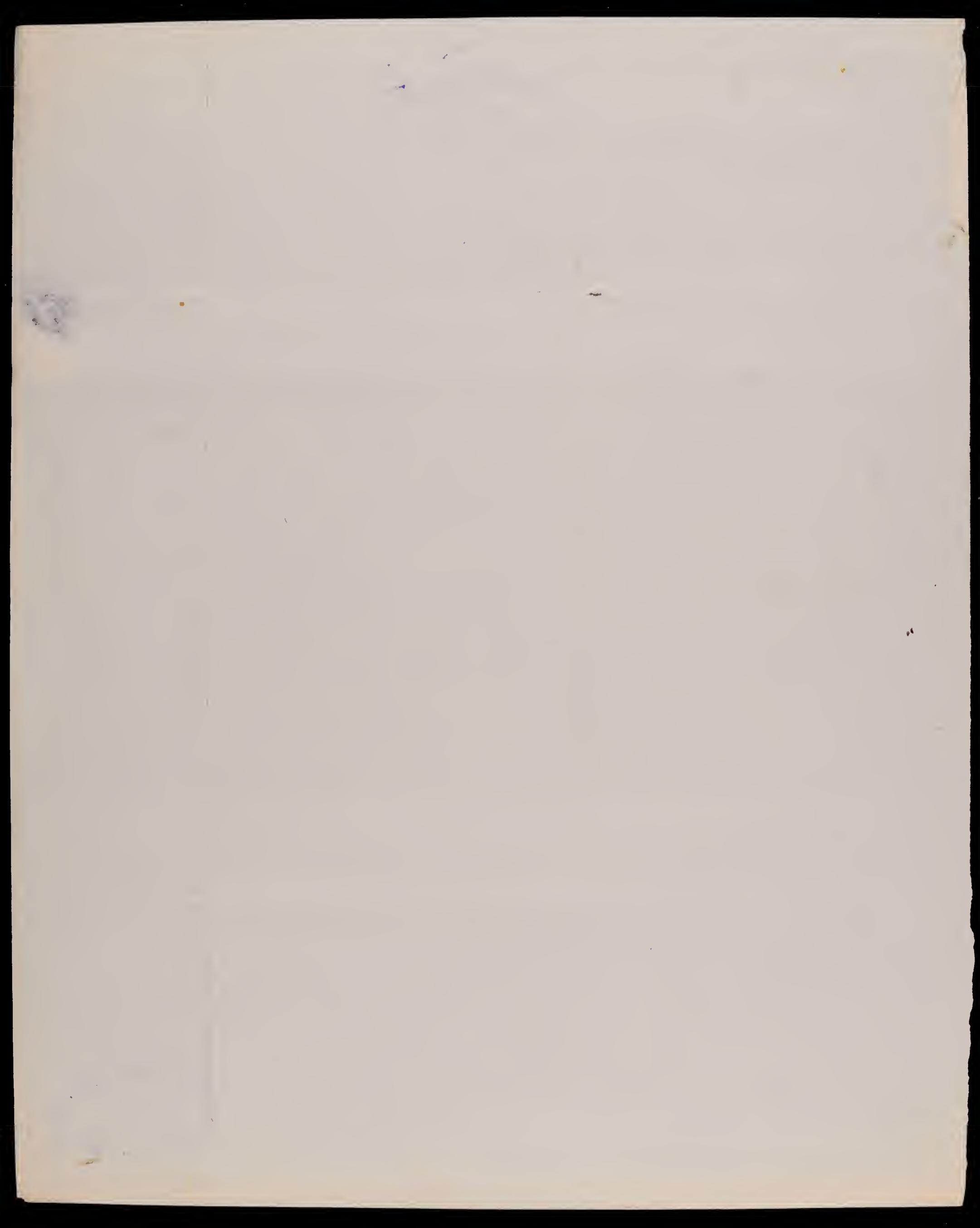
An absence of several weeks in the middle of the summer will account in part for the smallness of my contribution this year.

The plants are sent in a box, to Mr. Wm H. Pease care of G. E. Morris & Co, Nassau Street and I have requested Mr. P. to send them to you.

Dr John Torrey

Your truly
J. A. Adair





Rec. Dec 9th

Ans. Dec 9, 1841.



Nov 20th 1841

Dear Sir

Please have the goodness to revise and correct the preceding list and if you think its publication in Lillian's Journal would be interesting to botanists, please forward it to him for that purpose. I have a plant which you named *Gymnandra* *Houghtoniana* - Will you add it to the list in its proper place. Please also give a name and the specific characters of the new Gentian; also of any other new plants which you may have received from me.

I sent you some time since a packet of plants from here containing such as I supposed would interest you of this year's gathering. It was put in a box directed to Wm H. Pease Esqr. care of S. E. Morse & Co No 142 Nassau St. If you have not yet received it you may find it with Mr Pease —

I have recently sent you a box containing packages, which I wish you would open and forward the packages. They are for

Dr J. Barratt Middletown Conn

Dr A. W. Chapman Quincy Florida

Rev. W. A. Curtis Hillsborough N.C.

Dr Wm. Carpenter Jackson La

Dr Wm. Darlington West Chester Pa

Hartford Nat. Hist Society &

Essex Co. Nat. Hist. Society (Salem Mass.)

Perhaps I have done wrong to tax you so much as to send you all these packages for distribution and if so please inform me, and I will not trouble you again.

Will the "Final Reports" of the State Geologists of N.Y. appear soon? - & what will be their cost.

I am very anxious to procure those of the Botanist Zoologist and Palæontologist. - If you can send me copies of these I will remit to you their cost. —

Very truly yours

J. A. Lapham
TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Dr John Torrey.

Single
Dr John Torrey
New York
City.



Ans.

Milwaukee Dec 22nd 1841

Dear Sir



I have received your kind favor of 29th Nov stating that you had written to me two or three weeks before; and I am very sorry to have to inform you that no such letter has been received. This I regret very much, as I suppose in it you probably made some remarks upon the parcel of plants I sent you. Have you any memorandum from which you can give me a "second edition" of the letter? I am always anxious to hear from you, and am vexed to think that any letter from you should be lost.

I wrote to you again about a week ago by Mr Brown who will probably visit New York, and if so he will call upon you to see if you have any thing for me in the shape of plants either from yourself or from any other correspondent who may have sent through you.

The box you mention was indeed from me, and I wrote you by mail concerning it,

I suppose the letter has, via this, been received. —

I shall in a few days put up a parcel for Dr Gray
of such as are supposed to be interesting, and will
forward them by first opportunity. —

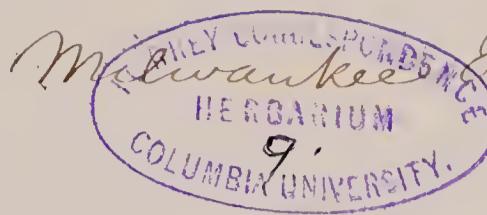
Very truly yours

J. A. Lapham



Dr Torrey

Rec'd March 1842



February 18th 1842

Dear Sir

Yours of Jan. 21st was received yesterday. The letter of 6th Nov. containing notes on the plants sent you is unfortunately lost, and I regret this very much. I have now sent another parcel containing most of the doubtful species to Dr Gray with a request that he would perform the same service for me. I have sent him also a list of the New York plant, not in my Herbarium, which may also guide you in making up a parcel when you have nothing else to do.

I shall send you the specimens of Scirpus triflorus but they are all past flowering except one - They are however in the best state for specimens exhibiting the long feathers to good advantage. With them I will send a parcel for Mr Buckley he having requested that it be sent to your care. They will be sent by the first safe private opportunity which

will probably be within a few weeks —
I will send you specimens of any other
plants you may desire for the State
collection or for any other purpose with
pleasure — and shall still consider myself
deeply in your debt for past favors —

Yours truly

J. T. Torrey

Dr John Torrey



I thank you for the use of
these letters.

Miss Julia A. Lapham
Oconomowoc
Wis.

May 24th 1897

